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Naples, December 21.

FIVE Britiſh Ships of War, which were ſent in Auguſt to Port-Mahon to careen, arrived here on the 12th Inſtant, and Sir George Byng has ſince cauſed them to put to Sea, with Orders to cruiſe in proper Stations on the Coaſt of Sicily, to prevent the coming of Succours to the Spaniards. On the 11th Inſtant, the remaining Part of the Tranſports with 2000 Germans from Genoa, arrived here: By contrary Winds and Weather they had been detained ſo long in their Paſſage, that they wanted Proviſions and Water; but having been ſupplied with all Refreſhments, Sir George Byng appointed a Convoy to go with them for Melazzo, and they ſailed the 19th at Night; but to Day we received an Account, that they are put back by contrary Winds to Baia. On the 19th arrived General Wachtendonck from Melazzo, to confer with the Viceroy on the State of Affairs at that Place.

Berne, Jan. 4. M. Hogguer of St. Gall having been appointed by the King of Sweden, to be his Reſident with the Proteſtant Cantons, has preſented his Credential Letters to the Canton of Zurich, which have been communicated to this State, and to the reſt of the Proteſtant Cantons; and has acquainted them, that he will reſide at Copet in the Pais de Vaud. Whereupon our Soveraign Council having aſſembled, a Letter has been ordered to be written to that Miniſter, returning him the Compliments uſual on ſuch Occaſions. On the 1ſt Inſtant and the two following Days, a Jubilee was celebrated in all the Churches of the Canton of Zurich, in Commemoration of the Reformation, which was introduced there at the Beginning of the Year 1519. Some Days ago General Diesbach, who is in the Emperour's Service, paſſed through this Place for Fribourg, whence he is to go to Milan, and to march from thence with 4000 Men through the Eccleſiaſtical State to Naples. Detachments from the Garriſons of Briſac and Fribourg, are on the March through the Country of the Griſons for Italy.

Copenhagen, Jan. 3. On the 1ſt Inſtant Te Deum was ſung here, with a triple Diſcharge of Artillery, in Thankſgiving for the late good News of the Retreat of the Swedes out of the Southern Part of Norway.

Hambourg, Jan. 6. Count Fuchs, the Emperour's Envoy, died here Yeſterday. Count Holſt, who is going to England Ambaſſadour from the King of Denmark, arrived here laſt Night.

Hague, Jan. 10. This Morning the Deputies of the Province of Friſeland have received Inſtructions from their Principals to acceed to the Quadruple Alliance. The States General wrote a Letter to Day to the States of Utrecht and Zeland, exhorting them earneſtly to give their Conſent to the ſaid Acceſſion. There being poſitive Advice come to their High Mightineſſes by the laſt Poſt from Madrid, that the late Duke of Ormond was at the Court of Spain, the Marqueſs de Beretti Landi had Yeſterday a Conference